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In re Application of:

**OLUFUNMILAYO I. OLOPADE**

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Sir:

I, OLUFUNMILAYO I. OLOPADE, HEREBY DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. I am the inventor of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
2. I understand that the Patent and Trademark Office examiner in charge of examining this application has cited against my application the following article:

Olopade, O.I., Pomykala, H.M., Hagos, F., Sveen, L.W., Espinosa, III, R., Dreyling, M.H., Gursky, S., Stadler, W.M., Le Beau, M.M. and Bohlander, S.K., "Construction of a 2.8-megabase Yeast Artificial Chromosome Contig and Cloning of the Human Methylthioadenosine Phosphorylase Gene from the Tumor Suppressor Region on 9p21" *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*, 92:6489-6493, July, 1995.

3. Helen M. Pomykala was a Research Technician, working under my direction and guidance. She did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
4. Fitsum Hagos was a Research Technician, working under my direction and guidance. He did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
5. Lise W. Sveen was a Research Technician, working under my direction and guidance. He did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
6. Rafael Espinosa, III was a Research Technician, working under my direction and guidance. He did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
7. Martin H. Dreyling was a Post Doctoral Fellow, working under my direction and guidance. He did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
8. Susan Gursky was a Graduate Student, working under my direction and guidance. She did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
9. Walter M. Stadler was a Post Doctoral Fellow, working under my direction and guidance. He did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.

10. Michelle M. Le Beau was a faculty member at The University of Chicago. She did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
11. Stefan K. Bohlander was a faculty member at The University of Chicago. Dr. Bohlander participated in general discussions; however, he did not participate in the conception or reduction to practice of any of the subject matter disclosed and claimed in the referenced patent application.
12. The concept of isolating and characterizing the entire MTAP gene was conceived and reduced to practice by Olufunmilayo I. Olopade.
13. I hereby declare that all statements made of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information are believed to be true and further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under § 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issued thereon.

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